

HOUSE No. 196

By Mr. Travis of Rehoboth, petition of Philip Travis and Walter F. Timilty relative to the retirement benefits of certain teachers. Public Service.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand and Five.

AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE RETIREMENT BENEFITS OF CERTAIN TEACHERS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 Subsection 1 of section 4 of chapter 32 of the General Laws, as
2 appearing in the 2002 Official Edition, is hereby further amended
3 by adding the following paragraph:—

4 (s) Any member in service of the teachers retirement system or
5 any teacher who is a member of the State-Boston retirement
6 system who had 30 years or more of service who was involun-
7 tarily terminated due to economic reasons shall be allowed a com-
8 bination of years of creditable service and years of age the sum of
9 which shall not be greater than 5 years for the purposes of deter-
10 mining his superannuation retirement allowance pursuant to the
11 provisions of paragraph (a) of subdivision (2) of section five of
12 chapter thirty-two of the General Laws.

13 Notwithstanding such credit, the total normal yearly amount of
14 the retirement allowance, as determined in accordance with the
15 provisions of said section five of said chapter thirty-two, of any
16 employee who retires and receives the retirement benefit provided
17 by this act shall not exceed four-fifths of the average annual rate
18 of his regular compensation as determined in accordance with said
19 section five of said chapter thirty-two.

20 Participation in program shall be conditional upon written certi-
21 fication of the school department that the termination was neces-
22 sary due to economic reasons.